DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY WASHINGTON

June 3, 1941

Sirs:

Reference is made to Supplemental Contract Nod-1538, dated September 9, 1940 for the acquisition and installation of special additional plant equipment and facilities required to expedite the National Defense Program, at a total estimated cost of \$5,500,000.

By letter dated December 16, 1940 an order was placed with you for construction of six additional destroyers Nos. DD618 to DD623 inclusive and a change in Supplemental Contract NOd-1538 was authorized to provide further special plant facilities at a cost not to exceed \$2,250,000.

Pursuant to this authorization, a general review of the facilities required by the Contractor for its Naval construction work has disclosed that several of the items appearing in Exhibit I of Supplemental Contract NOd-1538, originally regarded as necessary, may be dispensed with. The funds thereby released together with the additional funds for facilities authorized by letter of December 16, 1940 will be used to construct a shipway and outfitting basin. These additional facilities are required in the interest of expediting the construction of the additional destroyers without delaying the building program for cruisers now under construction by you.

In view of the foregoing and because of the necessity of overtime and shift work and other increased costs in the performance of supplemental contract NOd-1538, not contemplated at the time the original estimates were made, the Secretary of the Navy hereby authorizes the following changes in that Supplemental Contract and the Exhibit forming part thereof:

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In the first recital, on the first vacant line under the words "DD505 and DD506 under Contract NOd-1505" insert the words "DD618-623, inclusive, under Contract NOd-1642".

Exhibit I. Page 1

- Bureau of Ships No. 2, in the column under "Estimated cost", delete "\$750,000" and substitute therefor \$813,000 -.
- Bureau of Ships No. 3, in the column under "Item", delete "#11" and "#12" and substitute therefor #9 and #10 respectively.
- Bureau of Ships No. 3, in the column under "Estimated Cost", delete "\$360,000" and substitute therefor \$393,000 -.
- Bureau of Ships letter A*, in the column under "Item", delete "Extension of Shipways Including Cranes and Accessories" and substitute therefor Construction of Shipway #11 and North Outfitting Basin, including Shipway and Wharf Cranes, Accessories and Dredging Including Purchase and Installation of Shipway Crane and Runway between Ways #9 and #10 -.
- Bureau of Ships letter A*, in the column under "Esti-mated Cost", delete "\$535,000" and substitute therefor \$3,383,000 -.
- Bureau of Ships letter B*, in the column under "Item", delete "Extension of Wet Basin including Cranes and Accessories" and substitute therefor Extension to South Outfitting Basin Crane Runway.
- Bureau of Ships letter B*, in the column under "Esti-mated Cost", delete "\$750,000" and substitute therefor \$50,000 -.
- Bureau of Ships letter C*, delete this item in its entirety.
- Bureau of Ships letter D*, in the column under "Item", delete "and Other Buildings," and substitute therefor - Extensions, Miscellaneous Yard Buildings -
- Bureau of Ships letter D*, in the column under "Esti-mated Cost", delete "\$733,000" and substitute therefor \$1,605,000 -.

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Bureau of Ships letter E*, in the column under "Esti-mated Cost" delete "\$1,037,000" and substitute therefor - \$1,170,000.

Bureau of Ships letter F*, in the column under "Esti-mated Cost", delete "\$322,000" and substitute therefor - \$118,000 -.

In the column under "Estimated Cost" and opposite "TOTAL ESTIMATED COST" delete "\$5,500,000. and substitute therefor \$8,500,000.

There is enclosed herewith a copy of Exhibit I revised in accordance with the above mentioned changes.

The foregoing changes involve an increase of \$3,000,000 in the total estimated cost, instead of \$2,250,000 as previously authorized by the Secretary of the Navy's letter of December 16, 1940 (No. DD618/L4(401260)).

Respectfully,

James Forrestal Acting Secretary of the Navy

Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company Kearny, New Jersey

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SupShip(Kearny)
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EXHIBIT I (Revised June 3, 1941) forming part of SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT NOd-1538 FEDERAL SHIPBUILDING AND DRY DOCK COMPANY KEARNY, NEW JERSEY (Dated September 9, 1940) for the

Acquisition and Installation of Special Additional Plant Equipment and Facilities Required to Expedite the National Defense Program

Bureau of			
Ships Number	Item		Estimated Cost
1	Pipe Shop and Accessories	\$	393,000
2.	Warehouse including Heavy Duty Cranes and Accessories		813,000
3.	Reconstruction of Abandoned Shipways #9 and #10, Purchase and Installation of One (1) Traveling Power Shipyard Crane, One (1) Locomotive Crane, Attendant Crane Tracks, and Staging Towers		393,000
4.	Forty-three (43) Machine Shop Tools		575,000
A *	Construction of Shipway #11 and North Outfitting Basin, including shipway and wharf cranes, accessories and Dredging - Including purchase and installation of Shipway Crane and Runway between Ways #9 and #10		3,383,000
B *	Extension to south Outfitting Basin Crane Runway	•	50,000
D*	Shop Extensions, Miscellaneous Yard Buildings and accessories		1,605,000
E*	Tools and Equipment	:	1,170,000
F*	Reserve for Contingencies		118,000
	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	\$	8,500,000

*Letter identifications are for reference only.

(Enclosure A)

EXHIBIT I

FORMING PART OF

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT NOd-1538 (Dated September 9, 1940)

FOR THE

Acquisition and Installation of Special Additional Plant Equipment and Facilities Required to Expedite the National Defense Program

Bureau of Ships Number	Item	Estimated Cost
1	Pipe Shop and Accessories	\$393, 000
2	Warehouse, including Heavy Duty Cranes and Accessories	750, 000
3	Reconstruction of Abandoned Shipways Nos. 11 and 12, Purchase and Installation of One (1) Travelling Power Shipyard Crane, One (1) Locomotive Crane, attendant Crane Tracks, and Staging Towers	360, 000
4	Forty-three (43) Machine Shop Tools	575, 000
A*	Extension of Shipways, including Cranes and Accessories	535, 000
B*-	Extension of Wet Basin, including Cranes and Accessories	750, 000
C*	Dredging	45, 000
D*	Shop and Other Buildings and Accessories	733, 000
E*	Tools and Equipment	1, 037, 000
F*	Reserve for Contingencies	322, 000
	Total Estimated Cost	\$5, 500, 000

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